

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 442 - HB 1011**

April 1, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Osteopathic Examination to develop guidelines for physician expert witnesses in medical malpractice which would include recommended standards for behavior. Requires a copy of the guidelines to be posted on the Department of Health's website.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **MINIMAL**

Assumptions:

- The Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Osteopathic Examination are not obligated by the bill to promulgate guidelines.
- Should the Boards choose to use the authority granted to them, the development of guidelines and standards would be part of the administrative business conducted during scheduled board meetings.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director